



Kerry Cook

July 12, 1936 - January 1, 2016

Kerry Alfred Cook, 79, of Myrtle Beach, SC passed away January 1, 2016 at Conway Medical Center after a courageous 11 year battle with prostate cancer. He grew up in Meriden, CT., son of the late Alfred W. and Marjorie Cook.

Kerry graduated from Meriden High School, valedictorian of the class of 1954. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in civil engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in 1959 and was a member of Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity. While working as an engineer and general counsel for L.G. DeFelice & Sons, North Haven, Ct., Kerry continued his education at the University of Connecticut, receiving his law degree in 1967. He continued to practice law with Shea & Cook, PC, until his retirement in 2001. Kerry enjoyed golfing with the Heron Point Men's Golf Club, having been a member for 28 years. In his retirement he also enjoyed surf fishing and taking art classes. He wished to continue playing the trumpet, but he said that the needed "lips" weren't there any longer. He enjoyed political bantering with both his liberal and conservative friends. He was an avid reader throughout his life and very much enjoyed listening to the piano music of Beegie Adair. And of course, he loved when family from the north would visit. Also, Kerry had the skills necessary to make him the "tour director" where ever he traveled and, he kept journals for just about everything!

He is predeceased by his wife of 20 years, Lucille Dagata Cook; son, Alan; and brother, Peter.

He is survived by his loving wife of 32 years, Paulette; son, Peter (Linda) of Westwood, Ma; son, David (Marjorie) of Methuen, Ma; and 7 grandchildren: Brian, Alan, Samuel, Lucille, Tyler, Jason and Lexi. He is also survived by his sister, Allyson Gall (Martin) of Situate, Ma; brother, Christopher (Jane) of Hebron, CT.; sister-in-law, Carol Cook of Indian Land, SC.

A Celebration of Kerry's Life will be held at 12:00 noon, Saturday, January 16, 2016 at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to a charity of one's choice.

The family would like to extend a special thanks to Dr. Timothy Quillen and those at Atlantic Urology, Conway Medical Center's doctors, nurses and aides. You were all caring, supportive and determined to make Kerry comfortable. To all who have loved and cared for Kerry, thank you for your expressions of care and compassion throughout his life and in his final days.

Sign an online guestbook at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com/obituaries
Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ Goldfinch Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Kerry Cook



Goldfinch Funeral Home - January 07, 2016 at 11:37 AM

RS

*Absolutely beautiful. A great portrayal of a wonderful and truly blessed couple.
Will miss you always and thanks for all the wonderful memories your buddy "Guido"*

roy scinta - January 15, 2016 at 12:21 PM

SP

“ *Paulette - please accept my deepest sympathy. Kerry was one of the kindest, most gentle of persons that I knew. Forever the calm thinker, but the bright, deep thinker. I know you two shared a very special bond. Keep those positive memories alive, but don't forget to live every day yourself. Kerry would want that for you. So laugh, play golf etc and know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. Kerry will be missed by all.*

Shellie Pierce - Bend, Oregon

shellie pierce - January 25, 2016 at 11:34 AM



“ *Diane Pennington lit a candle in memory of Kerry Cook*



Diane Pennington - January 16, 2016 at 03:07 PM



“ *Cookie I didn't know you very long but I had the honor of taking care of you in the hospital. You called me an Angel now you are the angel looking down on us. I watched Paulette as she sat by your side playing your favorite music day after day night after night running home to check on her mom. As your heart showed down I would talk about Paulette & it would beat a little faster & yes your eyes would sparkle with the love you had for her. I was fortunate to hold your hand as you took your last breath & today I raised my hand to honor you RIP Cookie. Diane*

Diane Pennington - January 16, 2016 at 03:06 PM



“ *Kerry I miss you now and I'm sure that I always will. You were always a "friendly port" for me to pull into whenever it got too rough out there. Thank you now and thank you forever for being my friend. Roy*

roy scinta - January 15, 2016 at 12:03 PM

CC

“ *This is a poem that Marge Cook sent to me when Pete died and so I'm passing it on for Kerry who was such a very special person:*

A LIGHT IS GONE

*A light is from our household gone
A voice we loved is stilled,
A place is vacant in our home,
Which never can be filled.*

*We have to mourn the loss of one
We did our best to save,
Beloved on earth, regretted still,
Remembered in the grave.*

*'Twas hard to part with one so dear,
We little thought the time was near,
Farewell, dear one, your life is past,
Our love for you till the end will last.*

Carol Cook - January 14, 2016 at 11:57 AM



“ *Kerry will be missed by all especially the members of our golf club. He was the voice of reason, at times the only one, during our numerous discussions. He was a real mensch.*

Kevin McGrath Sr. - January 09, 2016 at 10:10 AM

JP

“ KERRY MY BEST FRIEND AND NEIGHBOR, YOU AND PAULETT WERE ALWAYS THERE TO HELP ME WHEN BILL PASSED AWAY, AND THEN MY SON MARTIN, WITH OUT YOU I DON,T THINK I WOULD HAVE MADE IT. I AM GOING TO MISS YOU WITH THAT SMILE AND BEARD. AND YOU WILL ALWAYS BE IN MY HEART

JUDITH PLATT - January 08, 2016 at 04:36 PM

JP

“ Kerry and I enjoyed the written word, found in many novels we shared. we discussed many subjects, while meeting at the mail box, across the street. he was a good guy, I will miss him jack platt

jack platt - January 07, 2016 at 06:58 PM

GD

“ Our heartfelt sympathy go out to Paulette and Kerry's children, grandchildren and family. May you find inner peace in the fact that Kerry was admired by his many friends here in the Myrtle Beach area and will be missed. Gary and Ruth DeNardo

Gary DeNaro - January 07, 2016 at 04:37 PM



“ Garden Accent Stone - "Wherever a Beautiful Soul..." was purchased for the family of Kerry Cook.



January 07, 2016 at 03:53 PM

JL

“ I remember Kerry well, a wonderful friend and an equal good golf partner in the days that I visited Myrtle Beach. Kerry and Paulette were the highlight of my visits.

John Van Laar

John Van Laar - January 07, 2016 at 03:49 PM

SV

“ Sue Vitcavage lit a candle in memory of Kerry Cook



Sue Vitcavage - January 05, 2016 at 09:49 PM

SV

“ Paulette and family, I am so sorry to hear of Kerry's passing. I will always remember his warm smile and kind heart. I am sending hugs...xo

Sue Vitcavage - January 05, 2016 at 09:48 PM

LK

*Paulette and Family, our deepest condolence, we have seen the Obituary in the Record Journal.
Linda and Joe kata*

Linda and Joe kata - January 06, 2016 at 01:20 PM

PN

*Kerry was a kind, caring and special man. He will be missed deeply.
Condolence to Paulette and family.
Pat & Patty*

Patricia Norment - January 06, 2016 at 01:57 PM

PS

I have known Kerry since junior high school and moved to the Grand Strand upon the urging of Kerry and Paulette. Kerry was well-loved and will be sorely missed.

Priscilla Swanson - January 07, 2016 at 03:07 PM